



April 16–22, 2006

News and Opportunities

WORSHIP

A special Easter Jazz Vespers service, with music leadership by the Andy Tecson Jazz Ensemble, will be held today at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Morning prayer is held each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m. in Blair Chapel.

Next Sunday, Iain Torrance, President of Princeton Theological Seminary and former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, will be the guest preacher during all three morning services.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, April 28.

Printed copies of the Daily Devotions are available in the literature racks in the narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. Devotions are also available at www.fourthchurch.org and by e-mail (send e-mail addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

Copies of recent Sunday morning sermons are available in the literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship, subscribe to the weekly e-mail newsletter News@FourthChurch by sending e-mail addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

NEWS AND RESOURCES

Easter Brunch is held today at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Tickets are available at the reception desk as space allows.

Thank you to all who have provided feedback about the new sound system. The technicians are continuing to make adjustments based on the survey responses.

Graduating in 2006? Those graduating from eighth grade or high school as well as those receiving a degree are asked to call Natasha Holbert at 312.274.3831 by Monday, May 15 so they can be recognized on Baccalaureate Sunday, May 21.

The enrollment period for the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Benefit Program ends May 15. If you have not yet enrolled, you can schedule a consultation with JoAnn Gruca, gerontological nurse practitioner for the Center for Whole Health, by calling 312.981.3397 or make an appointment with the Buehler Center on Aging by calling 312.503.3087.

The Fourth Church website www.fourthchurch.org makes available audio of the previous Sunday morning's worship service; the text of worship bulletins, "News and Opportunities," and the newsletter *Fourth Press*; programming information; and more.

ENRICHMENT

Bible Study opportunities this week:
John Knox, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.
Morning, Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.
Noonday, Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m.
Older Adults, Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

Two new Academy for Faith and Life courses begin next Sunday: “**Introduction to the Talmud**” at 9:30 a.m. and “**Political Power and the Religious Right**” at 11:00 a.m. Continuing next Sunday will be “**New Testament Survey**” at 9:30 a.m. and “**What Presbyterians Believe**” at 11:00 a.m.

Faith Builder groups will begin in mid-April. For more information, call Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3396.

Women’s Bible Study will meet Thursday, April 27 at 11:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall South Balcony for a discussion led by Ali Trowbridge, followed by lunch. RSVP by Tuesday, April 25 by calling Carol Allerton at the church at 312.640.5448.

“**Achieving Balance in Christian Leadership,**” the second annual May leadership forum, will take place Saturday, May 6 in the Dining Room. The forum will be led by a panel of lay leaders and Fourth Church staff. RSVP by Thursday, May 4 by calling Anne Crow at the church at 312.573.3369.

“**Developing the Habit of the Soul,**” a two-hour workshop offered by the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center, will take place Saturday, May 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For more information about this and other spiritual direction opportunities offered by the Center, call 312.787.8425.

Dan Wakefield will discuss his latest work, *The Hijacking of Jesus*, on Thursday, May 11 at 7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. A book signing will follow. On Saturday, May 13, at the Men’s Group breakfast at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room, Mr. Wakefield will offer reflections on the spiritual journey. Saturday afternoon he will present a spiritual autobiography workshop from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All are welcome. RSVP for the Men’s Group breakfast by calling the church at 312.787.4570. RSVP for the workshop by calling the Congregational Life Special Events Line at 312.787.2729, ext. 444.

Walter Brueggemann will be Theologian in Residence at Fourth Church from May 28 through June 8. He will preach Sunday morning May 28 and June 4, speak at evening forums on May 31 and June 8, and lead two Bible studies the weeks he is here. Watch for more details in May.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Sunday School resumes next Sunday at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Confirmation Class (grade 8) does not meet today.

Junior Highs (grades 6–8) does not meet today.

Senior Highs (grades 9–12) does not meet today.

To have Senior High youth help with “Ugly Jobs” and other spring chores on Saturday, May 13, contact Natasha Holbert at the church at 312.274.3831. Proceeds will support the youth’s summer work camp trip.

News and Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the church literature racks and at www.fourthchurch.org.

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VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

Current Volunteer Needs

Sunday School office assistants

People to remove blue bows from Fourth Church trees on Monday, May 1 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Tennis Camp coaches and helpers,

Mondays and Wednesdays, June 19 to July 26, 5:15 to 6:30 p.m.

Current Donation Needs

Laptop computers in excellent condition for Chicago Lights programs

For more information and a list of additional needs, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Fourth Church members leave for Cuba

this Thursday, where they will visit our sister church, First Presbyterian Church of Havana, before returning on April 30. Please keep these travelers in your prayers as they participate in the worldwide mission and ministry of the church of Jesus Christ.

May 15 is the deadline for the Fourth Church mission trip to Guatemala

(September 5–14). For more information about this and other Fourth Church mission trips, contact Vicki Reynolds, Director of Mission, at 312.981.3384.

A group for those dealing with significant losses, including anticipated losses, will meet at the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center each Tuesday evening of May at 7:00 p.m. For more information and to register, call the Center at 312.787.8425.

The annual Women's Mission Tea will be held Saturday, May 13 at 2:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. For more information, call Lisa Cochrane at the church at 312.640.5495

Chicago Lights at Fourth Presbyterian Church

brings under one banner the programs that continue the legacy of Fourth Church's service to its urban neighbors: the Center for Older Adults, the Center for Whole Health, the Elam Davies Social Service Center, and Partners in Education. For more information about these programs, visit www.fourthchurch.org/chicagolights.html.

FELLOWSHIP

Fourth Couples will meet next Sunday, April 23 at 12:15 p.m. in the Manse for an open house with a guest speaker.

Acclaimed photographer and Fourth Church member Terry Evans

will be speaking at the Friday, April 21 meeting of Fourth Dimension. All are welcome at 6:00 p.m. in Blair Chapel. RSVP by Thursday, April 20 by calling the Fourth Dimension Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 494.

Fourth Forum, a gathering of gays, lesbians, and friends, will meet for a potluck in a member's home on Saturday, April 22. RSVP by calling the Fourth Forum Infoline at 312.787.2729, ext. 367.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

"Let the Children Shine" is the theme of the Gallery art exhibit that celebrates the Week of the Young Child. The exhibit features art by children of Fourth Church's Children's Center, Day School, Sunday School, and Tutoring Program.

The Apollo Chorus will be in concert Sunday, May 7 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Guest conductor Eric Whitacre will be conducting three of his own works. Tickets will be available at the door.

CALENDAR FOR APRIL 16-22, 2006

Sunday, April 16 <i>EASTER SUNDAY</i>			
	6:30 a.m.	Easter Sunrise	Calum MacLeod preaching Oak Street Beach
7:50 a.m. to	1:00 p.m.	Nursery	Westminister 14
	8:00 a.m.	Easter Worship	JohnM. Buchanan preaching Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Easter Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Children's Easter Service	Westminster House
	11:30 a.m.	Easter Worship	John M. Buchanan preaching Sanctuary
	12:45 p.m.	Church Tour	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Easter Brunch	Dining Room
	6:30 p.m.	Jazz Vespers Service	Catherine Knott preaching Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Coffee Reception	Anderson Hall
Monday, April 17 <i>Church Office Closed--Easter Monday</i>			
Tuesday, April 18			
	9:00 a.m.	Daily Prayer (Tuesday-Friday)	Blair Chapel
Wednesday, April 19			
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Bible Study	Large Conference Room
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Bible Study	Large Conference Room
Thursday, April 20			
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, April 21			
	10:00 a.m.	Older Adults Bible Study	Page Smith Room
	12:10 p.m.	Noonday Concert: Donna Kuhel, piano	Anderson Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Fourth Dimension	Blair Chapel
Saturday, April 22			
	5:30 p.m.	Fourth Forum	<i>(see announcement)</i>

Preaching on Sunday, April 23

Iain Torrance 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.
Amy Pagliarella 6:30 p.m.

Parking is available Sundays at the John Hancock Center, 875 North Michigan Avenue (access Chestnut Street), at the rate of \$7.00 until 2:00 p.m. and at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$7.75 to 4:00 p.m. and \$6.00 after 5:00 p.m. Validation tickets must be picked up during Coffee Hour or from the Chestnut Street reception desk.